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# FINANCING TRIBAL ENERGY PROJECTS & INVESTING IN TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

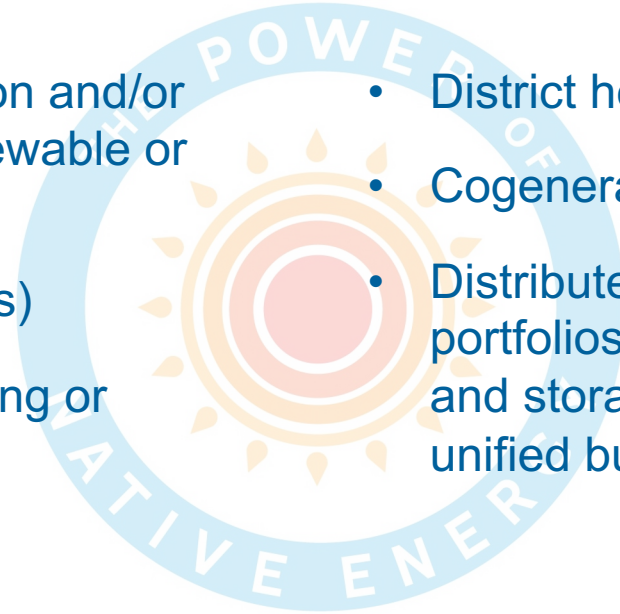
- **Tribal Ownership**
- **Energy Independence**
- **Energy Reliability**
- **Generational Investment**
- **Profitability**





# ENERGY TECHNOLOGY SAMPLES

- Electricity generation, transmission and/or distribution facilities, utilizing renewable or conventional energy sources
- Energy storage facilities (batteries)
- Energy resource extraction, refining or processing facilities
- Energy transportation facilities
- District heating and cooling facilities
- Cogeneration facilities
- Distributed energy project portfolios, including portfolios of smaller distributed generation and storage facilities employed pursuant to a unified business plan



# **\$20 BILLION DESIGNATED FOR TRIBES & TRIBALLY OWNED ENTITIES**

## **5 MUST HAVES**

- 1. Borrower Is a Tribe or Tribal Energy Development Organization**
- 2. Can be Located On or Off Tribal Land**
- 3. Financially Viable**
- 4. Energy Project used as collateral and the Tribe is insulated**
- 5. Investment in Energy Resources, Products, and Services**



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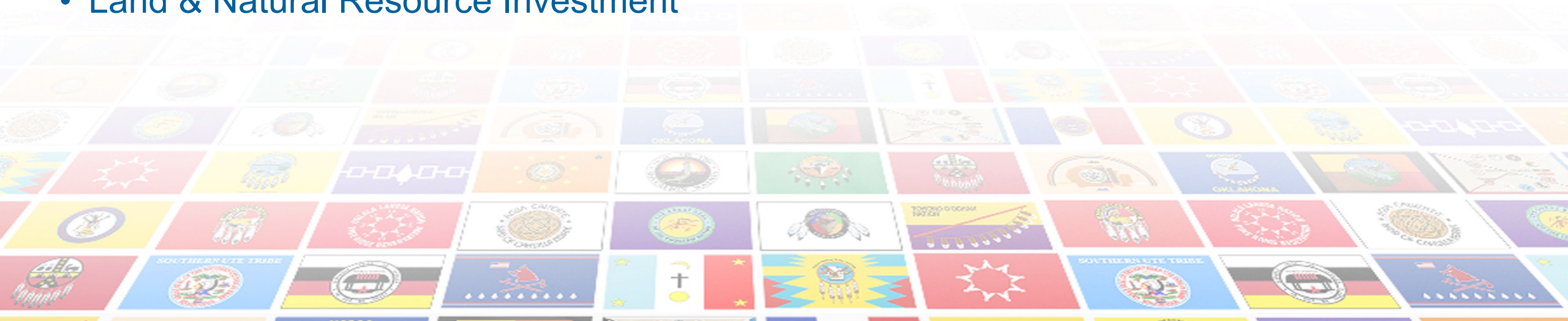
- **The Loan Programs Office (LPO) is like a public policy bank within the U.S. Department of Energy.**
- **LPO finances innovative clean energy, advanced transportation, and Tribal Energy Investments, serving as a bridge to bankability for underserved borrowers, breakthrough projects and technologies.**



# WHY INVEST IN ENERGY?

## An energy project can strengthen Tribal Sovereignty and revitalize a Tribe's Economy.

- Tribal Infrastructure Investment project costs can be reduced through newly available tax credits
- Land & Natural Resource Investment
- Strategic Energy Partner Investment
- Sovereign Private Equity Investment
- Tribal Utility Authority Investment



# THE UNIQUE VALUE OF DOE TRIBAL ENERGY FINANCING



## Access to Patient Capital

that private lenders cannot or will not provide.



## Flexible Financing

customized for borrowers' needs.



## Committed DOE Partnership

offering borrowers specialized expertise for the lifetime of the loan.

# TRIBAL ENERGY FINANCE TEAM WILL WORK WITH YOU TO HELP YOUR ENERGY PROJECT SUCCEED

- Loans based on U.S. Treasury rates from U.S. Federal Financing Bank (FFB)
  - \$20 billion in loan authority exclusively for Tribes
- Team understands and respects Tribal and Program objectives
- Team will help navigate resources across government to promote success

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# “TAX CREDITS” FOR TRIBES

- Historically, an important Federal incentive for energy projects – tax credits – was an economic benefit paid only to taxable entities.
- The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) now allows Tribal Nations to receive tax credits for eligible projects, as well as the option to receive the tax credit in the form of a Direct Payment from the IRS. While not a grant, it functions similar to a grant.
- These Direct Payments functionally reduce the overall cost of the energy project for the Tribal Nation owner of the project.

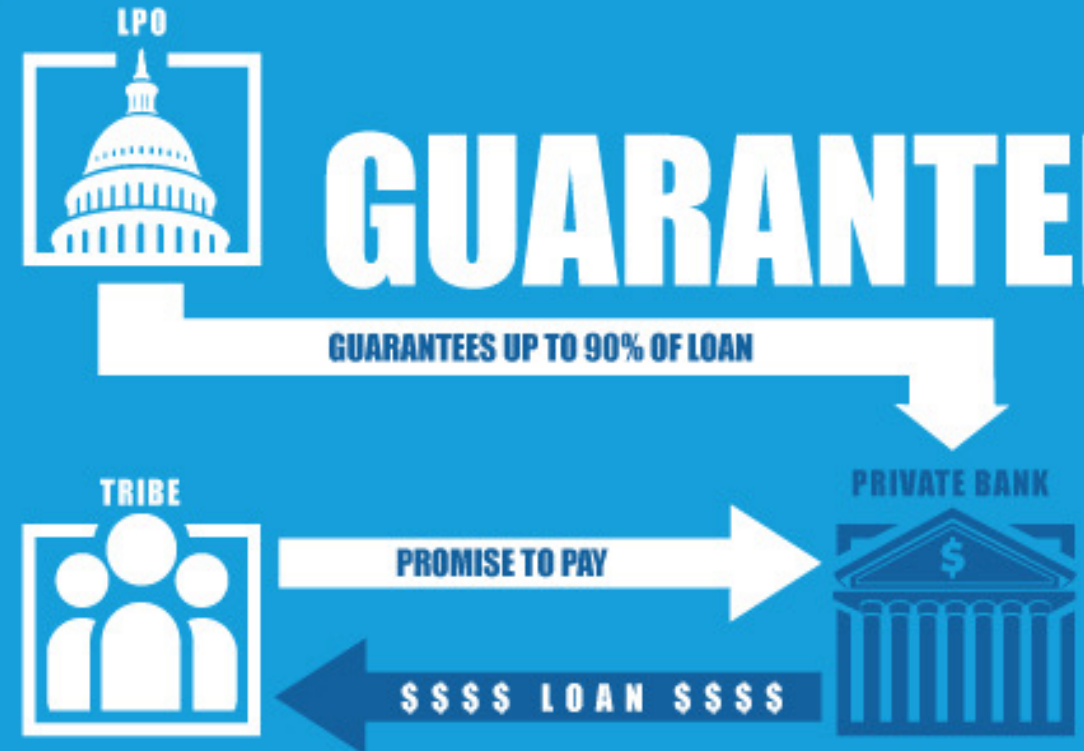


# LOAN VS GUARANTEE

## LOAN



## GUARANTEE



# APPLICATION PROCESS



- **Part I - Eligibility**
  - Borrower
  - Project
- **Part II - Viability**

- Tribe
- NEPA Compliance
- Legal/Regulatory
- Market
- Technical





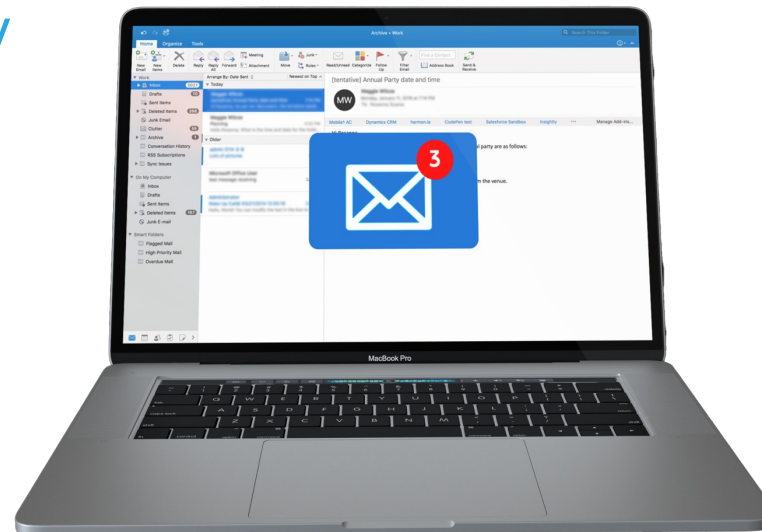
# LET'S DISCUSS YOUR PROJECT

**Request a Pre-Application Consultation:**  
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